Matter 7A Written Statement – H44 North of Milverton – Kevin Acford (5755)

I previously registered my objections to the proposed plans. Below I have detailed my concerns: -

- In an era where we are encouraged to reduce our carbon footprint, the Leamington/Kenilworth area is totally unsuited for providing overspill housing for the Coventry area. The distance is significant; 9 miles from Coventry City Centre, combined with already overcrowded roads and limited public transport. There are more suitable alternative sites closer to Coventry with better public transport links
- The greenbelt in between Leamington, Warwick & Kenilworth enables each town to maintain it's individual identity. It provides a valuable, easily accessible, safe recreation area for residents from each town. Not only should this area not be considered for Coventry's overflow housing, it should be preserved in the future as the distinct character of each town enables each economy to thrive, a position which shouldn't be jeopardised by over development. There are existing brownfield sites within the area for future development. I have live alongside a derelict school for 3 years. Furthermore no exceptional circumstances have been demonstrated
- Historically very few Park & Ride schemes are successful. The proposed scheme is not only half hearted but also not required. Learnington has adequate short stay & long term parking

I urge Warwick District Council to finally abort these plans.

Kind Regards

Kelvin Acford